



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Carlos F. Navarro, et al.  
Serial No.: 10/812,812  
Filing Date: March 30, 2004  
Group Art Unit: 3732  
Examiner: Meaghan E. MacPherson  
Title: Self-Ligating Lingual Orthodontic Bracket

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

**Response Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed January 20, 2006, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims.